

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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VIA FOIAonline

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RE: Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Request: EPA-R6-2019-000653

Dear Ms. Best:

This letter concerns the above-referenced FOIA request, received by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA or Agency) on November 29, 2018, in which you requested,

"...Records mentioning or generated as a result of liaisons and contacts between CIA officials and the following EPA personnel:

EDLUND, Carl - Environmental Protection Agency, Federal Services Branch, Air Pollution Control Office, Rockville, Maryland

FAIRFALL, John M. - Environmental Protection Agency, Director, Engineering and Sciences Branch, Cincinnati, Ohio

LACY, Benjamin A. - Environmental Protection Agency, Chief, Federal Activities Section, Region III, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

For the purposes of this request, the words "contacts" and "liaisons" are being used in the way CIA used them in CIA-RDP78-00300R000100090121-9 (dated 1975), which officially disclosed these relationships. A copy of the file can be found at

https://www.cia.gov/library/readingroom/docs/CIA-RDP78-00300R000100090121-9.pdf. This request may be limited to the beginning of 1970 through the end of 1979..."

EPA has concluded its search and did not locate any records responsive to your request.

This letter concludes our response to your request. You may appeal this response by email at hq.foia@epa.gov, or by mail to the EPA's National FOIA Office, U.S. EPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. (2310A), Washington, DC 20460 or through FOIAonline if you are an account holder. If you are submitting your appeal by hand delivery, courier service, or overnight delivery, you must address your correspondence to 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Room 5315, Washington, DC 20460. Your appeal must be in writing, and it must be received no later than 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. The Agency will not consider appeals *received* after the 90-calendar-day limit. Appeals received after 5:00 p.m. EST will be considered received the next business day. The appeal letter should include the FOIA tracking number listed above. For quickest possible handling, the subject line of your

email, the appeal letter, and its envelope, if applicable, should be marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Additionally, you may seek dispute resolution services from EPA's FOIA Public Liaison at hq.foia@epa.gov or (202) 566-1667, or from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways: by mail, Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, Room 2510, 8610 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001; email, ogis@nara.gov; telephone, (202) 741-5770 or (877) 684-6448; or fax, (202) 741-5769.

This is a final response to your request. If appropriate, you may receive a final billing from the Regional FOIA Office. If you have any questions, you may contact the Regional FOIA Officer, Nancy Ho, at refoia@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

12/20/2018

X James McDonald

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Signed by: JAMES MCDONALD

Assistant Regional Administrator for Management